

Childrens Department.

THAT PRESENT.

I have noticed that some of you would like to know if you will receive the present promised you by the former editor or not. Yes, you shall have the present. Our offer was made, and shall be kept in good faith. Your letters have been the only words we have had from many places, and we were always glad to get them. Then it has not been very long since I was a child, not so long, but that I remember well how I felt when I did not get what I had worked for, also, what I thought of people who did not do for me what they had said they would—I felt that I had not been treated right, and those who did not do as they had promised I thought were bad people. Yes, you shall have the present. Just send me your name and address, and the numbers of the EVANGELIST in which your letters were printed if you can, and shall forward by return mail the promised gift.

S. J. HARRISON.

Lanark, Ill., Jan. 8, 1895.

WOODLAND, MICH., Dec. 31, '94.

DEAR EDITOR: I thought I would write a letter for the EVANGELIST. I could not go to school to-day because I was sick. This is my twelfth letter I have written for the EVANGELIST this year. I will answer Maud Miller's question. Mary Magdalene was the first preacher, and also Edna Pancost's question. Joseph was taken prisoner to Egypt. I will soon be thirteen years old. I will close by asking a question. How many sons had Zebulun? Good bye

ADA CLUM

FARMERSVILLE, OHIO, Dec. 17th, '94.

DEAR EDITOR:—As I am not feeling very well I stayed out of school this morning. I will write to the cousins of the EVANGELIST. The last letters that my sister and I wrote were not published. They contained ten cents each. I don't know which was the most loss the money or the letters. We were glad as we heard yesterday brother Shively is having success in his revival meeting at West Alexandria. I think every minister should preach on doctrinal sermons, for they are interesting for little boys and girls. Your friend,

HARLEY HAVENS.

FARMERSVILLE, O., Dec. 17th, 1894.

DEAR EDITOR:—I will write my first letter to the EVANGELIST. I am eight years old. I go to school. I go to the U. B. Sabbath school. We are

going to the church tonight to practice for Christmas. I am going to speak and help sing. I will ask a question. Where did Jesus make his home after leaving Nazareth?

Your friend,

GEORGE HAVENS.

MT. ETNA, IND.

DEAR EDITOR.—I am a little girl seven years old. I have a nice home, and my teacher's name is Edna Baln. and she is a good teacher. I go to Sunday school. I have a little sheep named Fanny. She stays out with the other lambs in the field. My papa is a farmer, he has lots of sheep. I will soon be eight years old. We all got candy on Christmas. My papa has lots of fruit trees, we did not have much fruit this summer.

HAZEL HAWKINS.

WOOSTER, O., Jan. 6th, 1895.

DEAR EDITOR:—I will try and write another letter for the paper. I am going to school now. Kate Hozel is my teacher's name. I like her very much. I went to Sunday school today. My sister and I was up to our grand-ma's and spent the holidays and we had a nice time. My papa is in Chicago, today and it is lonesome when he is gone. There is several cases of scarlet fever in our city now, but I hope that I won't get it, for I don't want to miss school. I will close for this time. Good 'by,

ZORA GARVER.

OVAL CITY, O., Jan 6th, 1895.

DEAR EDITOR:—I thought I would write a letter for the children's column. I am eleven years old and live in Oval City. Papa and mamma belong to the Brethren church at Middle Branch. Rev. Kimmel is our pastor. He has been preaching for us almost two years. We like him very much. We have protracted meeting now. I go to Sunday school. The Superintendent's name is Laura Cocklin. My teacher's name is Ella Roush. Papa attended the convention at Ashland last Summer. He thinks it is a very nice place. He was surprised to see that the Brethren church had such a nice College building. I hope the school will prosper and the time may come when I may attend school at Ashland. I have two brothers, Harry and Raymond. I will close for this time. If this letter escapes the waste basket, I might write again sometime.

RUTH E. WISE.

RED OAK, IA., Dec. 19th, 1894.

DEAR EDITOR:—This is my twelfth letter to the EVANGELIST. We are going to have speaking in the Baptist church Christmas, and expect a good time.

I will ask a few questions: Which is the verse known as the Gospel and repeat it? Where are recorded the songs of Mary the mother of Jesus and of Elizabeth the mother of John? In whose Gospel is Jesus called the Word?

CLEMMA HENRICKS.

A YEAR WITH POPULAR AUTHORS.

Nearly all the most popular authors seem to have been drawn upon by the editor of *The Ladies' Home Journal* to insure for his readers a particularly interesting year during 1895. Jerome K. Jerome, for example, will resume his role of an "Idle Fellow" for the benefit of American girls and women in a series of articles; Bret Harte will have a new love story, while Frank R. Stockton has given the *Journal* not less than three of his quaintest and drollest short tales; Mrs. Burton Harrison will write on correct deportment and usages of good society, while Mrs. A. D. T. Whitney is to write to girls on marriage and dress; Madame Nordica and Jessie Bartlett Davis will tell of care of the voice; Mr. Howells will continue his successful literary autobiography; Dr. Parkhurst, the famous New York preacher, will write his first series of articles for women on the questions of the day which women are thinking about; Edward Bellamy will add a chapter to his "Looking Backward"; Eugene Field Bill Nye, John Kendrick Bangs and Robert J. Burdette will supply the humor; Conan Doyle will give his views of "The Literary Side of America"; Frances Hodgson Burnett, the late Jane Austin, Julia Magruder and Elizabeth Bellamy will supply novellettes; Kate Greenaway is to draw her quaint little tots of women for the first time for a magazine, while Palmer Cox will supply some new "Brownies"; a unique article on "Mrs. Shakespeare" will present all that is known of Shakespeare's wife; Margaret Deland, Sarah Orne Jewett and Mrs. Burton Harrison will discuss "When Lady: When Woman."—when those terms should be used; E. S. Martin is going to tell "Where Was the Garden of Eden?"; Reginald de Koven has given his new song, while other famous composers will also be represented by songs, marches and waltzes. And in this representative manner, *The Ladies' Home Journal* will really cover every interesting phase of contemporary life.—especially that of woman. The magazine will indeed be worth having during the new year.

THE PHARISEES

in the time of our Lord, were very strict about Sabbath observance, but it was in the letter which killeth, not in the Spirit which giveth life. They would cheat a widow, but show scruples to give in their tithe the value of a tenth of some herb worth the fraction of a cent. A candle must not be snuffed, a blind man not use a staff on Sabbath; Jesus came to set men free from such nonsensical restrictions. He taught that God wanted the love, reverence and worship of the heart, and not the mere outward observance of ordinances.

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